Amendment No. 5 to SB2317

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2317

House Bill No. 2333*

by adding in Section 1 of the bill as amended immediately preceding the following amendatory subdivision:

- () The commissioner of education shall establish the system for submitting applications and, subject to available funding, programs shall be approved on a competitive basis. the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:
 - () The department shall give preference in approving applications to those applications in which local education agencies include plans for parental involvement in the prekindergarten program.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the following language from the amendatory language of Section 1 of the bill as amended:

The office of education accountability shall coordinate a study of the effectiveness of pre-kindergarten programs authorized under this act. The office is authorized to engage one or more independent evaluators to assess the effectiveness of these programs. and by substituting instead the following language:

The office of education accountability shall coordinate a study of the effectiveness of pre-kindergarten programs authorized under this act. The office is authorized to engage one (1) or more independent evaluators to assess the effectiveness of these programs. The office shall specifically evaluate the effectiveness and success of local education agencies' plans for parental involvement in pre-kindergarten programs.